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The Albany News and Advertiser have been merged and consolidated. This will give to Albany a lively paper.

The consolidation brings together Mr. Henry McIntosh and Mr. Frank V. Evans, two journalists of experience and reputation. We congratulate all hands on the change.

It appears from disclosures just made that the famous alliance between Germany and Austria was brought about through an attempt of Russia to form a similar alliance with France. The French statesman, Waddington, was too shrewd and far-seeing to accept of such propositions, and the whole matter leaked out. The powers are very distrustful of each other.

The Associated Press is still giving us news from Vermont, but none from Arkansas, where the fate of an important constitutional amendment is still in doubt. The latest dispatches from Vermont are, however, very encouraging. Some so-called mistakes had swelled it several thousands. As it stands now neither party has gained or lost any material strength since 1876. If the returns from Vermont show anything, it is that the canvass of 1876 is to be repeated in the northern states.

We give the figures of recent cotton crops, in order that the crop of the past year may be readily compared with those of the previous years:

Year	Bales
1876	1,250,000
1877	1,350,000
1878	1,450,000
1879	1,550,000
1880	1,650,000
1881	1,750,000
1882	1,850,000
1883	1,950,000
1884	2,050,000
1885	2,150,000
1886	2,250,000
1887	2,350,000
1888	2,450,000
1889	2,550,000
1890	2,650,000

The crop which has just been summed up in figures was nearly 70,000 bales larger than the one that preceded it. Of course such a rate of increase is not to be maintained, but not a few think that the present crop will be 20,000 bales larger than that of the season just closed, and if it is, a crop of six million bales will come a matter of fact instead of talk.

The speech of Judge Warner to his home people last Tuesday appears to have been a combination of partisan passion and intention to stir up the law. Among other things, he repeated what he had already said in his letter that the governor cannot make a contract to give a lawyer a lien on the state's money. The code of Georgia—section 1980—sets forth that such a lien does not depend on contract, but upon the relation of client and attorney. If this relation is established, the lawyer shall have a lien for his services. It is to be borne in mind, however, that Judge Warner does not speak as a judge, nor even as a lawyer, but as a billy-bitter partisan. The Colquitt majority in Mercer is solid.

The Latest Scheme of the Norwood

We understand that several prominent colored men have been approached since the adjournment of the republican convention upon the subject of supporting Mr. J. C. Freeman, of Griffin, as a republican candidate for governor. This is evidently the latest scheme of the Norwood campaigners to draw the colored vote away from Governor Colquitt. Mr. Freeman, it will be remembered, was the nominee of the republicans of this district for congress. He was not satisfied with this, however, but wanted to be the republican candidate for governor. This fact was announced on the floor of the convention, but it made no sort of impression upon the colored men, and Mr. Freeman thereupon left the hall in high dudgeon. His announcement that he would not be a candidate of a party without a head was received with expressions of approval, but he seems to have misapprehended the nature of the applause which greeted his retirement, and consequently we hear of his friends sounding certain prominent colored citizens to see if they will support him as a candidate for governor. We perceive in this new movement the hand of Mr. Norwood and his friends of the Norwood party. They think that if they can draw the colored voters away from Governor Colquitt, Mr. Norwood may have a reasonable chance of success, and they hope to accomplish this by putting up Mr. Freeman as a figure-head for republican support. It is curious how woefully the white republicans and the Norwood campaigners misunderstand the motives and purposes of the colored people. Four-fifths of the colored men in the convention were opposed to a nomination to begin with, and four-fifths of them voted in favor of Governor Colquitt in preference to Mr. Norwood. This fact ought to have been apparent to anybody, and to ask a colored man, at this juncture, to support an independent candidate the man who spurned the regular republican nomination for congress, is in the nature of a insult upon his intelligence. If Mr. Freeman, however, is of the opinion that he does not misunderstand matters, we advise him to announce himself as an independent republican candidate for congress. If he receives the votes of five hundred colored men in the state, we will agree to date that the convict catchment is a patriotic document. The negroes will not be misled by any such scheme of the Norwood campaigners.

Railways, Trans-Continental and Mexican.

El Paso has become in the growth of the republic a great point in the future system of American railroads—El Paso, the border town of the upper Rio Grande—a town that has heretofore been considered almost as distant and almost as unimportant as Alaska.

But to-day all the railway kings and their ambition fastened on this same El Paso, their ambition being to extend their lines to it before opposition lines can determine the fate of travel and traffic in that portion of the country. The Texas and Pacific people are laying track at the rate of a mile a day,

in the hope of reaching El Paso by January 1, 1892—the terminus of their line being 243 miles west of Marshall. They are running a race with the Pierce-Morgan combination, who are building the Sunset line from San Antonio to El Paso. Whichever reaches El Paso first will secure a connection with the Southern Pacific, that is already constructed from San Francisco to a point 196 miles west of El Paso. The Southern Pacific people, Mr. Huntington—expect to reach El Paso by January 1, 1892. The Texas and Pacific managers hope, however, to beat the Southern Pacific into El Paso, and thus be able to build west of El Paso, thereby creating a gap between the Southern Pacific and Sunset lines, between which there is supposed to be a secret understanding.

But El Paso does not depend wholly upon the Pacific lines. The Atchafalaya, Topeka and Santa Fe road is being pushed towards El Paso as rapidly as money and energy can drive it; and when all these lines are constructed, then will begin the active part of the campaign.

Mr. Huntington, the control of lines through Central Mexico to the Mexican capital. It is conceded that El Paso is the true gate of Mexico, because the plateau that extend from that point afford the best grades to the city of Mexico. The California capitalists and the Pierce-Morgan combination, it is said, a charter for a road from El Paso to Mexico City, and the Bostonians who control the Santa Fe road own other concessions in Mexico, and the Gould-Hill party are seeking still others. It is a grand fight with three great entries at least—the Pierce-Huntington syndicate, the Santa Fe combination, and the Gould-Hill party. These interests alone control nearly all the roads in both the northwest and southwest, and most of the recent combinations in that quarter have been made almost wholly with reference to the great contests in which El Paso is at all times the central and pivotal point.

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